

Chairman: Thomas Lutzow
Vice-Chairperson: Maria Perez
Secretary: Vacant
Senior Executive Assistant: Jodi Mapp, 257-5202

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING**

Wednesday, December 23, 2020 - 11:00 A.M.
Teleconference Meeting
MINUTES

PRESENT: Thomas Lutzow, Maria Perez, and Duncan Shrout

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

1. Welcome.

Chairman Lutzow welcomed everyone to the December 23, 2020, Mental Health Board Executive Committee remote/virtual Special meeting.

2. Confirmation of the County Executive's Recommendations: the Chairperson of the Mental Health Board or his/her Designee, Matthew Fortman, Michael Lappen, and Kenneth Ginlack as the Inaugural Appointments to the Mental Health Emergency Center Joint Venture Board.

Shakita LaGrant, Director, Department of Health and Human

Ms. LaGrant stated the Joint Venture (JV) Board is made up of eight appointees. Milwaukee County is responsible for four. Nominees were selected based on their roles. The initial focus of this board is to set up the organization including oversight, financial management, legal representation, etc. Individuals identified are considered the best and most appropriate candidates for this inaugural board. Ms. LaGrant discussed each specific appointee and how their backgrounds will contribute to the JV Board.

MOTION BY: *(Perez) *Approve Confirmation of the Chairperson of the Mental Health Board or his/her Designee; Matthew Fortman; Michael Lappen; and Kenneth Ginlack; the County Executive's Appointment Recommendations, to the Inaugural Mental Health Emergency Center Joint Venture Board. 2-0*

MOTION 2ND BY: *(Lutzow)*

AYES: Lutzow and Perez – 2

NOES: 0

***NOTE:** This approval is provisional only and binding until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting at which time the Board must consider the Executive Committee's action.

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

3.	<p>Referral to the Mental Health Board's Governance Ad Hoc Committee for the Establishment of Policy and Procedure Related to Future Appointments Consistent with Boards in Other Areas of Milwaukee County.</p> <p>Michael Lappen, Administrator, Behavioral Health Division David Farwell, Assistant, Corporation Counsel Matt Fortman, Fiscal Administrator, Department of Health and Human Services</p> <p>Chairman Lutzow stated the request of the Governance Committee is to assess the issues surrounding appointments to ensure there is a consensus related to the approach and to integrate that approach into a future policy structure. Confirming the County Executive's recommended appointments should be included in the policy.</p> <p>Questions and comments ensued.</p> <p>Mr. Lappen discussed the Mental Health Board's (MHB) bylaws as they relate to other various board appointments. The policy, once developed, should be included in the MHB bylaws. The details can be figured out at the Governance Committee level.</p> <p>Attorney Farwell indicated there's a distinction between the MHB's bylaws and those of the Joint Venture (JV). JV bylaws will be developed over the next couple of months. They will be transparent to the Mental Health Board and to the representatives from the County, who will be part of the decision-making process. The JV bylaws will control term lengths and things of that nature for the JV, itself. Considering there are no statutes governing selection of County representatives to this board, best practices will be utilized. The Mental Health Board will control how the appointees get selected and when terms come due in accordance with the JV bylaws. This should be the focus and recommendation of the Governance Committee which, in turn, should be codified in the MHB bylaws. This process by which the County chooses its representatives to serve on the JV Board will also be in accordance with the JV's bylaws.</p> <p>Board Member Eilers, Chair of the Governance Committee, indicated this revision will be included in the bylaws package to be brought before the Board.</p> <p>This item was informational.</p>
4.	<p>Adjournment.</p> <p>Chairman Lutzow ordered the meeting adjourned.</p>

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

This meeting was recorded. The official copy of these minutes, along with the audio recording of this meeting, is available on the Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division/Mental Health Board web page.

Length of meeting: 11:00 a.m. to 11:32 a.m.

Adjourned,

Jodi Mapp

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**The next regular meeting for the
Milwaukee County Mental Health Board Executive Committee
Will be on Thursday, March 11, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.**

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The December 23rd, 2020, meeting minutes of the Milwaukee County Mental Health Board Executive Committee have been reviewed and are hereby approved.



Thomas Lutzow, Chairman
Milwaukee County Mental Health Board